Alberta Population Report

June 25, 2003 — First Quarter, 2003

Population Estimates

Alberta's population growth between April 1 of 2002 and 2003 is again the strongest among the provinces. As of April 1, 2003, Alberta's population is estimated to be 3,146,066. This is an increase of approximately 47,000 persons (or 1.52% growth) from April 1, 2002. Ontario and Prince Edward Island had the next largest growth rates at 1.10% and 0.85%, respectively.

The following chart shows both population estimates and growth rates of Canada and Alberta since 1997 for April 1.

TABLE 1 **NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL POPULATION & GROWTH RATES, APRIL 1**

	Canada		Alberta	
April 1	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
1997	29,892,954		2,819,810	
1998	30,168,395	0.92%	2,884,086	2.28%
1999	30,411,507	0.81%	2,944,097	2.08%
2000	30,698,567	0.94%	2,993,746	1.69%
2001	31,003,581	0.99%	3,044,627	1.70%
2002	31,315,287	1.01%	3,098,838	1.78%
2003	31,559,186	0.78%	3,146,066	1.52%

Source: Statistics Canada

Population estimates for April 1, 2003 for all provinces and territories are provided below in Table 2. Also shown is the growth rate of population between April 1, 2002 and April 1, 2003.

Migration

Between January 1 and March 31, 2003, Alberta had an estimated net interprovincial migration of 5,328 people. This makes up the majority of total net migration (interprovincial and international) to Alberta. Alberta had the largest number of interprovincial net migrants in Canada, followed by Ontario. The origin and destination of interprovincial migrants are shown in Table 3 on the next page.

As shown in Table 3, the primary source of Alberta's interprovincial in-migrants for the third quarter was British Columbia, followed by Ontario and Saskatchewan. These three provinces were also the three main destinations of out-migrants from Alberta.

Natural Increase

Statistics Canada estimates that Alberta experienced a natural increase (births minus deaths) of about 4,400 people between January 1, 2003 and March 31, 2003. Approximately 9,400 births occurred in this quarter, while there were an estimated 5,000 deaths.

More detailed demographic data are available from Alberta Finance, Statistics.

TABLE 2 **POPULATION OF PROVINCES/TERRITORIES, APRIL 1, 2003 & GROWTH RATES SINCE APRIL 1, 2002**

	NFLD.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	YUKON	N.W.T.	NVT.
Population	530,667	140,741	944,286	756,256	7,475,919	12,141,863	1,152,722	1,007,758	3,146,066	4,162,535	29,928	41,351	29,094
Growth Rate	0.19%	0.85%	0.05%	0.09%	0.42%	1.10%	0.32%	0.49%	1.52%	0.76%	0.10%	0.50%	2.37%

Source Statistics Canada

TABLE 3 ORIGIN & DESTINATION OF INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRANTS, JANUARY 1, 2003 TO MARCH 31, 2003

Origin	Destination												
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
Newfoundland	0	89	482	108	50	1,444	124	28	700	131	0	38	18
Prince Edward I.	55	0	108	112	15	144	0	22	128	0	0	0	0
Nova Scotia	392	142	0	799	68	1,660	101	48	643	198	0	25	49
New Brunswick	196	80	733	0	552	861	56	25	432	184	0	0	0
Quebec	107	117	116	422	0	4,534	156	152	570	466	0	21	29
Ontario	1,364	260	1,519	816	3,906	0	1,320	302	3,683	3,131	34	56	68
Manitoba	57	31	89	65	106	1,407	0	648	1,168	740	20	20	48
Saskatchewan	13	0	68	52	105	470	1,130	0	3,791	567	0	81	17
Alberta	647	68	488	368	258	2,761	1,180	2,108	0	5,258	83	188	15
British Columbia	166	0	350	145	627	3,607	722	627	7,228	0	161	123	0
Yukon Territory	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	146	187	0	12	0
Northwest Terr.	0	0	26	21	12	20	51	43	261	147	83	0	114
Nunavut Terr.	10	39	0	12	48	75	81	53	0	0	0	65	0

	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
In Migration	3,007	826	3,979	2,920	5,747	16,993	4,921	4,056	18,750	11,009	381	629	358
Out Migration	3,212	584	4,125	3,119	6,690	16,459	4,399	6,294	13,422	13,756	355	778	383
Net Migration	-205	242	-146	-199	-943	534	522	-2,238	5,328	-2,747	26	-149	-25

Source: Statistics Canada

Information provided in this document is preliminary, and thus subject to change in future reports.

Alberta Migration by Quarter

	Interprovincial			International						Total
	Out-Migration	In-Migration	*Net Interprovincial*	Immigration	Emigration	Non-Permanent Residents	Temporarily Abroad	Returning Emigrants	*Net International*	*Total Net Migration*
1997										
Jan - Mar	8,802	15,282	**6,480**	3,291	741	614	424	427	**3,167**	**9,647**
Apr - June	11,908	20,613	**8,705**	3,545	1,290	632	525	720	**3,082**	**11,787**
July - Sep	14,756	25,161	**10,405**	3,338	3,075	929	876	1,041	**1,357**	**11,762**
Oct - Dec	6,537	13,406	**6,869**	2,749	1,732	(479)	637	519	**420**	**7,289**
Total	*42,003*	*74,462*	***32,459***	*12,923*	*6,838*	*1,696*	*2,462*	*2,707*	***8,026***	***40,485***
1998										
Jan - Mar	9,065	20,591	**11,526**	2,664	1,048	232	510	510	**1,848**	**13,374**
Apr - Jun	12,860	27,149	**14,289**	2,938	1,226	284	541	932	**2,387**	**16,676**
July - Sept	13,828	23,051	**9,223**	3,041	3,085	876	983	1,092	**941**	**10,164**
Oct - Dec	8,408	13,495	**5,087**	2,572	1,810	(471)	715	537	**113**	**5,200**
Total	*44,161*	*84,286*	***40,125***	*11,215*	*7,169*	*921*	*2,749*	*3,071*	***5,289***	***45,414***
1999										
Jan - Mar	10,103	14,693	**4,590**	2,614	1,102	470	573	521	**1,930**	**6,520**
Apr - Jun	13,402	19,693	**6,291**	3,026	1,269	1,239	606	936	**3,326**	**9,617**
July - Sept	15,993	21,712	**5,719**	3,637	3,170	790	1,103	1,092	**1,246**	**6,965**
Oct - Dec	8,770	11,862	**3,092**	2,810	1,827	(977)	802	537	**(259)**	**2,833**
Total	*48,268*	*67,960*	***19,692***	*12,087*	*7,368*	*1,522*	*3,084*	*3,086*	***6,243***	***25,935***
2000										
Jan - Mar	10,313	17,065	**6,752**	2,865	1,107	757	643	521	**2,393**	**9,145**
Apr - Jun	12,971	20,082	**7,111**	3,552	1,275	750	680	936	**3,283**	**10,394**
July - Sept	15,768	20,600	**4,832**	4,168	3,217	1,238	1,239	1,092	**2,042**	**6,874**
Oct - Dec	8,330	14,032	**5,702**	3,757	1,848	(1,023)	900	537	**523**	**6,225**
Total	*47,382*	*71,779*	***24,397***	*14,342*	*7,447*	*1,722*	*3,462*	*3,086*	***8,241***	***32,638***
2001										
Jan - Mar	8,471	12,964	**4,493**	3,835	1,116	975	721	521	**3,494**	**7,987**
Apr - Jun	11,103	16,533	**5,430**	4,439	1,288	788	763	936	**4,112**	**9,542**
July - Sept	19,577	28,752	**9,175**	4,576	3,255	1,398	1,389	1,089	**2,419**	**11,594**
Oct - Dec	11,107	17,065	**5,958**	3,544	1,865	(894)	1,011	535	**309**	**6,267**
Total	*50,258*	*75,314*	***25,056***	*16,394*	*7,524*	*2,267*	*3,884*	*3,081*	***10,334***	***35,390***
2002										
Jan - Mar	11,956	17,916	**5,960**	3,910	1,123	365	809	516	**2,859**	**8,819**
Apr - Jun	15,152	20,799	**5,647**	4,538	1,300	383	856	925	**3,690**	**9,337**
July - Sept	21,247	29,756	**8,509**	3,133	3,302	1,039	1,559	1,074	**385**	**8,894**
Oct - Dec	12,784	15,997	**3,213**	3,132	1,886	(965)	1,134	529	**(324)**	**2,889**
Total	*61,139*	*84,468*	***23,329***	*14,713*	*7,611*	*822*	*4,358*	*3,044*	***6,610***	***29,939***
2003										
Jan - Mar	13,422	18,750	**5,328**	3,072	1,134	492	908	520	**2,042**	**7,370**
Apr - Jun	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	**n/a**
July - Sept	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	**n/a**
Oct - Dec	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**n/a**	**n/a**
Total	*13,422*	*18,750*	***5,328***	*3,072*	*1,134*	*492*	*908*	*520*	***2,042***	***7,370***

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